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under §202.13(d) may use the form as issued, in compliance with that substitute program.

APPENDIX C-SAMPLE NOTIFICATION FORMS

- 1. Form C-9. Creditors may design their own form, add to, or modify the model form to reflect their individual policies and procedures. For example, a creditor may want to add:
- i. A telephone number that applicants may call to leave their name and the address to which an appraisal report should be sent.
- ii. A notice of the cost the applicant will be required to pay the creditor for the appraisal or a copy of the report.

[Reg. B, 68 FR 13161, Mar. 18, 2003, as amended at 72 FR 63451, Nov. 9, 2007; 72 FR 71057, Dec. 14, 2007; 76 FR 41602, July 15, 2011]

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AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 2801-2810.

Source: Reg. C, 67 FR 7236, Feb. 15, 2002, unless otherwise noted.

## § 203.1 Authority, purpose, and scope.

(a) Authority. This regulation is issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ("Board") pursuant to the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act ("HMDA") (12 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), as amended. The information-collection requirements have been approved by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") under 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. and have been assigned OMB numbers for institutions reporting data to the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (1557-0159), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (3064-0046), the Office of Thrift Supervision (1550-0021), the Federal Reserve System (7100-0247), and the Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") (2502-0529). A number

for the National Credit Union Administration is pending.

- (b) *Purpose*. (1) This regulation implements the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, which is intended to provide the public with loan data that can be used:
- (i) To help determine whether financial institutions are serving the housing needs of their communities;
- (ii) To assist public officials in distributing public-sector investment so as to attract private investment to areas where it is needed; and
- (iii) To assist in identifying possible discriminatory lending patterns and enforcing antidiscrimination statutes.
- (2) Neither the act nor this regulation is intended to encourage unsound lending practices or the allocation of credit.
- (c) Scope. This regulation applies to certain financial institutions, including banks, savings associations, credit unions, and other mortgage lending institutions, as defined in §203.2(e). The regulation requires an institution to report data to its supervisory agency about home purchase loans, home improvement loans, and refinancings that it originates or purchases, or for which it receives applications; and to disclose certain data to the public.

## § 203.2 Definitions.

In this regulation:

- (a) Act means the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act ("HMDA") (12 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.), as amended.
- (b) Application—(1) In general. Application means an oral or written request for a home purchase loan, a home improvement loan, or a refinancing that is made in accordance with procedures used by a financial institution for the type of credit requested.
- (2) Preapproval programs. A request for preapproval for a home purchase loan is an application under paragraph (b)(1) of this section if the request is reviewed under a program in which the financial institution, after a comprehensive analysis of the creditworthiness of the applicant, issues a written commitment to the applicant valid for a designated period of time to extend a home purchase loan up to a specified amount. The written commitment may not be subject to conditions other than: